



News from the

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Steven Libman Appointed Executive Director of Regional Performing Arts Center

Steven Libman has been appointed Executive Director of the Regional Performing Arts Center in Carmel. Libman was selected from a long list of both local and national candidates after an extensive nationwide three month search. He will be relocating from San Diego, California where he served as Managing Director for the Tony Award-winning La Jolla Playhouse from 2005-2008.

Libman's career in performing arts spans more than 28 years of executive leadership in the theatre, dance and presenting disciplines. While at the La Jolla Playhouse, Libman grew the budget to \$15 million, successfully transferred productions to Broadway, such as *Cry Baby*,

The Farnsworth Invention and *Jersey Boys*, and supervised a staff of 100 full-time and over 125 part-time staff. The Playhouse annually produces six to eight plays with more than 300 performances. During his three year tenure, he led the fundraising efforts which brought in more than \$12 million in annual support.

From 1991-2004, he served as the Managing Director for the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre. Libman raised in excess of \$50 million and produced more than 20 original ballets, including groundbreaking works set to the music of Pete Seeger, Sting, Paul Simon, Bruce Springsteen, Ray Brown, Stanley Turrentine and Gunther Schuller. Previous professional



Photo by Melanie Lentz

Mayor Jim Brainard (R) welcomes Steven Libman (L) with a hand shake as he heads to the podium to address the audience.

experience includes The Fulton Opera House in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and

the Trinity Repertory Company in Providence, Rhode Island.

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Photo by Melanie Heck

City officials and community members in the area line up to cut the ribbon.

136th Street & Keystone Parkway Ribbon Cutting

The Carmel community celebrated the opening of the third roundabout interchange along Keystone Parkway with a ribbon cutting celebration at 136th

Street and Keystone Parkway. The event was intended to thank the area's residents, churches, and schools for their patience and support during the construction of

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Mayor Jim Brainard

As the summer months come to an end and we move into fall, we reflect on some new and exciting changes as a City. On August 12th, we announced Steven Libman as Executive Director of the Regional Performing Arts Center. Steven's extensive background in

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arts management, as well as his optimistic personality, is a perfect complement to Carmel's vision for the Regional Performing Arts Center. We welcome him and his wife, Keitha, to our community.

Another large-scale change for our community, the entire Keystone Parkway project is more than halfway done. In August, the 136th Street Keystone interchange opened to traffic ahead of schedule. The newest addition to the Keystone Project, 116th Street, is scheduled to finish by the end of the year.

Changes have also been

made to Carmel Utilities.

In order to make needed infrastructure improvements and to meet higher daily operating costs, Carmel City Council approved an increase to the wastewater rates charged by Carmel Utilities. Carmel's wastewater rates are currently the lowest in the entire state of Indiana. After the rate increase, Carmel Wastewater customers will still be paying less than surrounding communities for wastewater services.

With each new season comes change, but citizens can always rely on our annual events! Get ready for the 12th annual Carmel

International Arts Festival on Saturday, September 26th and Sunday, September 27th. This free event is fun for the entire family and promotes cultural enrichment through the celebration of the arts.

Please feel free to call or email us with your questions, concerns, and ideas for making Carmel the best place to live, work and raise a family.

Very truly yours,

Jim Brainard
Jim Brainard
Mayor

Steven Libman —continued

Libman holds a Bachelor of Arts in Performing Arts Management from Rhode Island College, where he graduated Magna Cum Laude. He also received the 2000 Alumni Honor Roll Award from Rhode Island College in recognition of his achievements within the arts. He serves on the national advisory panel for the Graduate Arts Management Program at Carnegie Mellon University. Libman has also been a panelist for the Heinz Endowments, Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. He is the author of several published articles on arts management. ♦

Ribbon Cutting—continued



Many community members showed their support by attending the ribbon cutting ceremony.

this important project.

A 45-day closure enabled the city to save approximately \$640,000 in construction costs and accelerated the construction. This allowed the interchange to open

ahead of schedule and prior to the start of the 2009-2010 school year, which was important as Carmel High School's student parking lot is on the northwest corner of this intersection.



Kids at the Ribbon Cutting celebration received balloons and part of the ribbon that was cut.

Photo by Nancy Heck

Photo by Kim Kauffman

Software Engineering Professionals will Move into Carmel City Center

A nationally recognized local company, Software Engineering Professionals (SEP), has decided to locate its offices in Carmel City Center.

SEP chose City Center as its future location because it fits well with its corporate culture. The amenities offered at City Center, such as the Monon Trail, the Performing Arts Center and the many shops and restaurants, will allow SEP employees to work in the heart of Carmel, while surrounded by the vibrancy created by bringing all these entertainment and recreation options together in one place.

SEP was recently named an Indianapolis Star "2009 Top Workplace" due to its employee-relations and also received the "Best-in-Category" for Work/Life Flexibility. SEP is a privately held software engineering

company located in Carmel. It was founded by Rose-Hulman graduates in 1988 and has grown to include 75 employees. SEP collaborates with many Fortune 500 companies to develop new software systems and products for business, data and safety critical applications. It offers full lifecycle software solutions to clients in the medical, aerospace, healthcare and national defense markets.



Photo by Melanie Lentz



Photo by Michelle Krcmery

Supporters gather at a press conference in the lobby of City Hall to hear the news of SEP's future location in City Center.

Mayor Jim Brainard addresses attendees of the press conference with Jeff Gilbert, SEP President; Jeff Worrell, member of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission (CRC); and Ron Carter, President of the CRC and Carmel City Councilor.

131st Street Ribbon Cutting

131st Street is now open to traffic on the west side. A ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony was held on August 10th to celebrate the completion of the project. The improvements on 131st Street included a curbed, two-lane roadway with a median, asphalt recreational paths, storm sewer system, and landscaping. Roundabouts were constructed at the intersections of Clay Center Road and Ditch Road. Since the area was annexed into Carmel in December 2003, the City has made many improvements to bring the county roads up to city standards.



Photo by Nancy Heck

City officials and residents along 131st Street line up to cut the ribbon in celebration of the road opening.

Monon Bridge Opening

The Monon Bridge over Carmel Drive was officially dedicated in a ribbon cutting ceremony on July 1st. Speakers for the event included Mayor Jim Brainard;

Ron Carter, Councilor At Large and Greenways Foundation Executive Director; Eric Seidensticker, Councilor of District Two; and Dave Richter,



Photo by Nancy Heck

Lined up for the ribbon cutting pictured left to right: Carmel City Engineer, Mike McBride; Carmel City Council President, Eric Seidensticker; Carmel Councilor At-large, Ron Carter; Carmel Councilor District 4, Joe Griffiths; Mayor Jim Brainard; and President of United Consulting, Dave Richter.



Photo by Nancy Heck

Citizens gather together to celebrate the opening of the Monon Bridge over Carmel Drive.

President of United Consulting.

The City of Carmel Monon Greenway Bridge Project at Carmel Drive began in July 2008. The bridge opened for public use in November 2008 and the access ramp opened in June 2009. The City began this project with a vision for increasing

safety for pedestrians on the Monon Greenway and motorists on Carmel Drive in a way that reflects the architectural design of the City of Carmel. To illuminate the architecture, the city installed LED lighting paid for by a federal grant. Now, Monon trail users in Carmel don't have to cross any 4-lane roadways.

Carmel Performing Arts Center Update

Construction workers resumed work on the Regional Performing Arts Center at the end of August. The all clear was given by Walter P. Moore, the nationally recognized structural/forensic engineering company hired by the Carmel Redevelopment Commission as consultants during this repair process. The

engineers completed their thorough evaluation of the structure and deemed construction conditions safe for workers. Safety has always been, and will continue to be, the top priority at the construction site.

Construction workers were asked to halt construction at the Regional Performing

Arts Center in mid-June while structural engineers re-examined the distressed connection discovered in the rotunda area of the Concert Hall. Prior to the halt in construction, 175 crew members worked daily at the Concert Hall. Work should be fully back up to speed by mid-September.



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Final Keystone Bid Brings Project in Under Original Estimate

Bids for the construction of the final roundabout interchange of the Keystone Parkway Project confirmed that the total for the project will come in just under American Structurepoint's original estimate of \$112 million. Bids for the 131st Street roundabout interchange were opened at the Board of Public Works and Safety meeting on July 8th. The lowest bid was from Walsh Construction, which came in at about \$11.7 million. When this number is added to the estimated costs of the other five roundabout

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Mayor Jim Brainard

interchanges (106th, 116th, Carmel Drive, 126th and 136th Streets) the total comes in just under \$112 million.

"We are very pleased that our design engineering firm's original cost estimates for the project have been validated with this final bid. I had been hopeful that through interest and cost cutting, we could complete the project with just the \$90 million we received from the state. Unfortunately, our country experienced

lower than normal interest rates and unusually high spikes in construction costs during the second phase of this construction so we were not able to hit that target. However, anytime our community can get a \$112 million road project and invest less than 20 percent of that cost, I consider it an excellent investment," said Mayor Jim Brainard.

The \$90 million given to Carmel from the state for this relinquishment is unprecedented. It equals more than \$19 million per mile. In comparison, Indianapolis got only \$1.6 million per mile when it received 13 miles of Washington Street (US Route 40 inside I-465) from the State in 1995.

The goal of this project has been to create a safer, more efficient roadway that better connects the east and west sides of Keystone. There is a significant reduction in the more than 200 accidents that typically occurred each year along Keystone. Public response to the new roadway design has been extremely positive.

The 131st Street and Keystone roundabout interchange project calls for the closing of Keystone Parkway for a 45-day period, similar to the temporary closing of Keystone for 136th Street construction. This will save the City about half a million dollars and shave 45 days from the construction timeline. Construction on 131st Street is currently set to begin in the spring of 2010.

Carmel's roundabouts have attracted much attention from across the United States including an article in TIME magazine and the 2008 Climate Protection Award from the US Conference of Mayors. While roundabout interchanges have occasionally been used in the United States, these Keystone interchanges are the first that have utilized such a compact design. This design makes these interchanges fit well in an established community.

116th Street and Carmel Drive

The closing of 116th Street and Keystone Parkway has taken place in stages. The first closure, affecting only

the intersection on the west side of Keystone, took place Wednesday, August 5th. This intersection reopened ahead of schedule as a right-in/right-out only on Tuesday, September 1st. The east side of the intersection closed on Monday, August 17th and is scheduled to partially reopen to traffic during the middle of September. Keystone Parkway will remain open for traffic, which will be maintained two lanes in each direction. Travel across Keystone will not be permitted through the remainder of the year as crews continue to build the 116th Street bridge over the lowered section of Keystone Parkway. Check www.CarmelLink.org for updated information.



2009 U.S. Senior Open Wrap-Up

From July 27th through August 2nd, Crooked Stick Golf Course hosted the 30th Annual U.S. Senior Open. The 6th USGA Championship to be hosted at Carmel's Crooked Stick, the U.S. Senior Open attracted thousands of fans and gave worldwide coverage to the City of Carmel. It is expected that this event brought

nearly 150,000 golf fans to Carmel resulting in an economic impact of an estimated \$30 million on Central Indiana. A special thanks to the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department, the Carmel Police Department, and the Indiana State Police Department, in helping to ensure smooth traffic flow and the safety of all attendees.



Carmel International Arts Festival 2009



Art by Brian McFarland



This Arts Festival brings together 140 juried artists, displaying their works in Watercolor, Glass, Jewelry, Photography, Oil, Acrylic, 3D, Wood, Sculpture, Pottery and more. Also be sure to enjoy the children's creative area, international food courts and live entertainment on two stages.

The Carmel International Arts Festival takes place in the Carmel Arts & Design District on Main Street and Range Line Road.

Admission and Parking are FREE

www.CarmelArtsFestival.org

Saturday, Sept. 26

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 27

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Entertainment schedule

Saturday, September 26

Range Line Stage

- 10 a.m. Chinese Dragon Dance Team
- 11 a.m. Banjo Buddies Dixieland Band
- Noon Indianapolis Dance Ensemble
- 1 p.m. Banjo Buddies Dixieland Band
- 2 p.m. Indianapolis Chinese Performing Arts
- 3 p.m. Emily Ann Thompson
- 4 p.m. Banjo Buddies Dixieland Band
- 5-6 p.m. Midnight Spin

Monon Stage

- 10 a.m. Harmony Magic
- 11 a.m. Actors Theatre of Indiana
- Noon Emily Ann Thompson
- 1 p.m. Oogles and Googles
- 2 p.m. C.R. Ryan
- 3 p.m. Doug Sauter and Kate Lamont
- 4 p.m. Adamsons Karate Studio
- 5 p.m. The Meister Winds

Sunday, September 27

Range Line Stage

- 10 a.m. Bill Anderson
- 11 a.m. Circle City Cloggers
- Noon Dave Hepler
- 1 p.m. Indianapolis Minyo Dancers
- 2 p.m. Island Breeze
- 3 p.m. Indianapolis Russian Ballet Academy
- 4 p.m. Past Due

Monon Stage

- 10 a.m. Music
- 11 a.m. Kenny Kipp and Michael Duo
- Noon Maple Trio
- 1 p.m. Two Guys with Guitars
- 2 p.m. C.R. Ryan
- 3 p.m. The Lathans
- 4 p.m. Juggling with Becca

Children's Activities offered at the Festival by The World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery where kids are invited to create their own artistic masterpieces.

Upcoming Events

Public Safety Day

Saturday, September 19

St. Vincent, Carmel south parking lot
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

OctoberFest

Saturday, October 10

Merchants Square between 116th St. & Carmel Dr.
just west of Keystone Pkwy.
Noon – 9 p.m.
Live music by "Polka Boy" from 6-9 p.m.

Veterans Day

Tuesday, November 10

Carmel Fire Station Headquarters at Civic Square
Noon

Holiday on the Square and Holiday Market

Saturday, November 21

Carmel Civic Square
4:30 – 6:30 p.m.



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Maestro \$250 • First Chair \$150 • Orchestra \$50

Ticket info available at 317.844.9717 or carmelsymphony.org

*Proceeds benefit the Michael Feinstein Foundation and the
Carmel Symphony Orchestra.*

Parks Events

Family Campout

Friday & Saturday, September 25-26

Also enjoy a movie under the stars, Ratatouille (Rated G).
West Park, 2700 West 116th Street
4:30 p.m. – 9 a.m. \$40/ family

Upcoming Free Events

Bark in the Dark

Friday evenings from 9 – 10:30 p.m.

September 18

October 23

November 13

Central Park, 1195 Central Park Drive West

Movies in the Park

Friday evenings at Dusk

Ratatouille (Rated G)– September 25
West Park, 2700 W. 116th Street

Pumpkinfest

Saturday, October 24

Noon-4 p.m.

West Park, 2700 W. 116th Street

Grinch Scramble

Saturday, December 4

7 p.m.

West Park, 2700 W. 116th Street

Visit www.CarmelClayParks.com
for more information.

Friends Library Bookstore Needs Book Donations

The Friends Library Bookstore, is in need of gently-used books, videos, CDs, DVDs, audiobooks, and children's books. Donations are accepted during library hours at the bookstore or the library's checkout desk and are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

**Donations accepted at
The Friends Library
Bookstore located inside
the Carmel Clay Public
Library**

55 Fourth Avenue SE

844-3361

www.carmel.lib.in.us

New Police Merit Board Members



Photo by Melanie Lentz

V.A. Adkins and Joe O'Connell were sworn into the Carmel Police Merit Board by Mayor Jim Brainard this past July. Pictured from left to right are Carmel Police Chief Michael Fogarty, Tom Kendall, V.A. Atkins, Mayor Jim Brainard, Joe O'Connell and Alana Shane.

City Considers Trash Service

The City of Carmel is investigating the feasibility of a city-wide trash and recycling contract for residents. Having one contract for residential trash and recycling services should reduce the price paid by homeowners. The City could consolidate billing with Carmel Utilities' bill thereby eliminating redundant costs. Another benefit would be fewer trucks in residential neighborhoods, reducing wear and tear on the roads and reduced carbon emissions.

The City recently conducted a survey to determine the range of prices paid by residents for trash & recycling service as well as general thoughts about the service. Hundreds of residents responded to the survey and an overwhelming majority were in favor of a more comprehensive cost saving approach, particularly if it included curbside recycling.

In addition to the survey, the Mayor has assembled a Trash and Recycling Advisory Committee to give general input and feedback to the City during this investigative process. The committee, comprised of citizens from all geographic areas of the City, includes: Alex Cain, west; Todd Cunningham, east; Judy Erner, central; Margot Gibson, west; Craig Kaiser, northeast; Jason Krcmery, central; Sandra Long, east; Mary McGillicuddy, west; Jim Moore, central; Jack Ragland, south central; Kevin Schulte, south; Frank Smith, east; Joy Stafford, east; and Leslie Webb, northeast. The Mayor is grateful to these citizens for giving their time to this important community initiative.

Contact the City of Carmel Utilities at 571-2673 or smaki@carmel.in.gov for additional information.

Utilities Receives \$1.5 Million in Federal Stimulus

The ability to flush a toilet is something that most people take for granted, but it is just one of the many services local government provides.

Maintaining the ability to flush toilets as well as provide other services residents use everyday requires ongoing maintenance and system upgrades. Carmel Utilities has two major improvement projects in the works: improvements to the 106th Street lift station and a new Headworks building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant on Hazel Dell Boulevard.

The costs of these improvements are estimated to be around \$6,115,000. These costs will be financed through \$1,473,000 in federal

stimulus money, a \$200,000 EPA grant and an overall rate increase. The rate increase is needed to finance these projects and meet higher daily operating costs. These increases will be reflected in the October 2009 Carmel City sewer bills.

If you would like to see how your wastewater rate dollars are being used, contact the Utilities Department at 571-2673. It will be offering tours of the Wastewater Treatment Plant for Carmel residents. Residents will be able to see the current state of the Headworks building that is scheduled for replacement, as well as the entire facility.

Rate Changes

5/8 Inch Meter Customer Rates (majority of the homes in Carmel)

Gallons	Present	Proposed	Difference
3,000	\$9.90	\$12.96	\$3.06
4,000	\$11.88	\$15.55	\$3.67
5,000	\$13.86	\$18.14	\$4.28

Even after this rate increase, Carmel Sewer customers will be paying less than surrounding communities for wastewater services.

Sewer Rate Example

Based on 5,000 gallon monthly consumption for a 5/8 inch meter

Westfield (South Service Area)	\$36.23
Zionsville	\$34.00
Noblesville	\$33.79
Fishers (Hamilton Southeastern)	\$33.55
Westfield (North Service Area)	\$31.30
Fishers	\$26.00
Indianapolis (2010)	\$20.86
Clay Township Regional Waste District***	\$19.76
Carmel New	\$18.14

***Clay Township Regional Waste District customers in southern and western Clay Township will not be affected by these rate changes. Their existing rate structure example in the above will remain as is.



National Night Out

Residents of Brookshire and Carmel Police Officers gather for the 2009 National Night Out festivities.

Despite the rain, 11 Crime Watch neighborhoods participated in Carmel's 11th annual observance of National Night Out, a unique crime and drug prevention event supported by Police-Community Partnership. The goal of this event is to encourage residents in all local neighborhoods to show their support for crime prevention while lighting up their homes because "Lights on Means Lights Out for Crime." Carmel Police Officers and Firefighters attended many of the events held in neighborhoods throughout the city.

The National Night Out event is intended to:

- Heighten crime and drug prevention awareness
- Generate support for, and participation in, local anticrime programs
- Strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships
- Send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back

To get your Crime Watch neighborhood involved call the Carmel Police Department at 571-2500.

Fire Station 45 wins 10th Annual Firehouse Cook-off

Carmel Fire Station 45 won the 10th Annual Firehouse Cook-off at Carmel's Farmers Market in August. This year the competition selection was salsa and Station 45 secured the most votes for its Pineapple Chipotle salsa recipe that is below:

Pineapple Chipotle

Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons vegetable oil
- 3 cups diced fresh or canned pineapple tidbits
- 1 ½ cups diced onion
- 1 cup diced seeded tomato
- 2 garlic cloves, minced
- ½ cup pineapple juice
- 2 tablespoons brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons cider vinegar
- 2 drained canned chipotle chiles in adobo sauce, minced
- 1 tablespoon adobo sauce (from drained chipotle chiles)
- ½ cup chopped fresh cilantro
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- ½ teaspoon salt

Preparation

Heat oil in a large skillet over medium-high heat. Add pineapple and onion; sauté 10 minutes or until lightly browned. Add tomato and garlic; sauté 1 minute. Stir in pineapple juice, brown sugar, vinegar, chiles, and adobo sauce. Cook 6 minutes, stirring occasionally. Stir in cilantro, fresh lime juice, and salt. Serve chilled.

Doug Dolen (R) presents Troy Kelsheimer and Jason Reecer from Carmel Fire station 45 the Annual Firehouse Cook-off trophy for their Pineapple Chipotle recipe.



People line up to try each of the fire station's salsa recipes so they can vote for their favorite to win.

Photos by Nancy Heck

City's GIS Department Nominated for the 2009 Be Inspired Awards

The City of Carmel's Geographical Information Systems Department's Urban Trails program has been nominated for a second round of judging in the 2009 *Be Inspired Awards*. Winners will be announced at the *Be Inspired: Infrastructure Best Practices Symposium and Awards* event in Charlotte, N.C., USA, October 12-14. At this symposium, the awards finalists will present the best practices behind their nominated projects, and the world's leading infrastructure practitioners will explore new ways to respond to the

challenges driving today's business.

The *Be Inspired Awards* program has recognized over 1,000 of the world's most outstanding infrastructure projects since its 2004 inception as the *Be Inspired Awards of Excellence*. The projects nominated for the *Be Inspired Awards* come from around the globe, and the winning projects are selected by a rigorous jury of independent experts in various fields of infrastructure. All nominated projects are presented in the annual publication, *The Year in Infrastructure*.

Construction Update

Hazel Dell Parkway Improvements (116th Street to 146th Street):

Beginning in the fall of 2009, the City will be making improvements to Hazel Dell Parkway between 116th Street and 146th Street. The first phase will consist of widening Hazel Dell to four lanes between Ivy Hill Drive (just north of 131st Street) and 146th Street.

In the spring of 2010, construction will resume on Hazel Dell to make safety and capacity enhancements to the existing roundabouts

at 126th Street and 131st Street. The 2010 improvements will also include the construction of a new roundabout on Hazel Dell Parkway at its intersection with Cherry Creek Boulevard.



City Council Meetings Available 24/7 Online

Citizens of Carmel can now view City Council meeting videos anytime on the City's website via a new electronic video archiving and indexing system. Viewers can watch a previously recorded meeting in its entirety or select a specific agenda item and watch just that section of the meeting. This video archiving and indexing component gives citizens in Carmel greater access to city government and allows them to become more familiar with the issues, projects and city leaders who are affecting our community.

Visit www.carmel.in.gov for more information.

Fifth Annual Book & Author Luncheon



Thursday, October 29, 2009

Order of Events

9:30 a.m.

Doors Open

Books available for purchase & signing

11:15 a.m.

Luncheon

11:45 a.m.

Program

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Book sales & signing continue

Ritz Charles, 12156 North Meridian Street

Carmel Clay Public Library
Foundation

Individual Tickets: \$60

Corporate Table (10): \$1,000

Sponsorships or Reservations:
(317) 814-3905



Barbara Delinsky
New York Times
Best-selling Author



Jennifer Chiaverini
New York Times
Best-selling Author



Rebecca Kai Dotlich
Award Winning
Writer & Poet



Joseph Finder
New York Times
Best-selling Author



Kaylie Jones
Acclaimed Author

Arts & Design



District Events

Summer Event Roundup

Upcoming Events



Rock the District

Rock the District 2009 marked its 3rd year in the Carmel Arts & Design District. Despite the rainy weather, 15,000 Carmel residents and visitors packed the Arts & Design District to enjoy more than eight hours of music from 25 local and national bands on four different stages, a District-wide sidewalk sale, delicious food and, activities for guests of all ages. The night ended with special performances featuring Dave Barnes with special guest Aimee Allen.



To view pictures from the event, visit www.carmelartsanddesign.com/rockthedistrict.



Art of Wine

Indiana wineries converged in the Arts & Design District for a celebration of Indiana wine and art inspired by the grape. Many of the boutiques and merchants had special sales or promotions during the festival, while the diverse collection of galleries had exhibits spotlighting wine-inspired works created by local, national and international artists. The Art of Wine's debut coincided with nearby Crooked Stick Golf Club's hosting of the 2009 U.S. Senior Open, a national golfing event that brought nearly 150,000 fans for a week of activities to Carmel, Ind. Because of its enormous success, Art of Wine is now an annual event!

Gallery Walk

Saturday, September 19

5-10 p.m.

Join your friends and family for an evening of art and culture in the Carmel Arts & Design District.

Annual Carmel International Arts Festival

Saturday, September 26

10 a.m. – 6 p.m. &

Sunday, September 27

10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Don't miss the 12th Annual Carmel International Arts Festival featuring 140 juried artists exhibiting in watercolor, oil, 2D, jewelry, photography, 3D, wood, sculpture, pottery and more, with festive food and entertainment.

Art of Beer

Friday, October 16th

5 – 10 p.m.

Visit www.CarmelArtsAndDesign.com for more information.

Holiday Gallery Walk

Saturday, December 12th

5 – 10 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of art and culture in the Arts & Design District. Tour the many galleries and shops while enjoying complimentary refreshments and entertainment.

Carmel High School Homecoming Parade

Friday, October 2nd

The parade comes right down Main Street from Guilford Road and ends at the high school.

Visit www.CarmelArtsandDesign.com for more information on these events and more.

City Council Meeting Dates

The City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall

October 5 & 19

November 2 & 16

December 7 & 21

Watch City Council meetings live on Channel 16. Channel 99 replays City Council meetings every Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Board of Public Works & Safety Meetings

The Board of Public Works meets the first and third Wednesdays of each month at 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall

October 7 & 21

November 4 & 18

December 2 & 16

Plan Commission

The Plan Commission meets the third Tuesday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall

October 20

November 17

December 15

Board of Zoning Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals meets the fourth Monday of each month at 6 p.m. in the Caucus Room

September 28

October 26

November 23

December 21

Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation Board

All meetings will be held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 6 p.m. in the West Conference room at The Monon Center, 1235 Central Park Drive East, Carmel, IN 46032.

October 13 & 27

November 10 & 24

December 8 & 22

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8 - 5 p.m.

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Monday - Friday
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Following a few safety tips will ensure Halloween to be a "howling" good time for all.

- Make sure costumes are flame-retardant and sized to fit the child
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to Carmel Police
- Put reflective tape on costumes
- Use make-up instead of masks. Masks can obstruct children's vision
- Drive slowly all evening
- An adult should accompany younger children
- Go out in daylight and carry a flashlight in case of delay
- Keep costumed children away from pets. The pets may not recognize the child and become frightened

